



UPCOUNTY CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Summary October 21, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Cherian Eapen and introductions were done.

The meeting summary from the September meeting was deferred to October.

Update from the County Council – None.

Update from the Upcounty Regional Director

Catherine Matthews shared the following information.

- The Planning Board would continue the worksession on the staff draft of the Clarksburg Ten Mile Creek Limited Amendment on October 24.
- On October 31, the Planning Board was scheduled to discuss a consultant's study on industrial land uses in the county.
- The County Council had scheduled a second public hearing on the proposed changes to the county's zoning law.

Discussion – State Legislators representing the Upcounty

Delegates James Gilchrist, Aruna Miller, Shane Robinson, Kirill Reznik, and David Fraser-Hidalgo shared their expectations for the upcoming session of the General Assembly that will convene in January 2014 and UCAB members raised questions and concerns for consideration.

Chair's Report

- Board Chair Cherian Eapen again welcomed the board's newest members: Annie McDonald (North Potomac, Shady Grove); Tobi Printz-Platnick (Boyds/Germantown); and Ketaki Singh (Clarksburg).
- Mr. Eapen briefly reviewed the tour of segments of the proposed Midcounty Highway, and the tour of the Holy Cross Germantown Hospital that is under construction. A tour of the Hercules Pinkney Life Sciences Campus at Montgomery College-Germantown is being planned for UCAB members as well.
- Mr. Eapen updated the board on progress being made in Clarksburg with retail development. The Harris Teeter grocery store is scheduled to open on November 20 with other businesses in the Clarksburg Village scheduled to also open soon.

Committee / Liaison Reports

Quality of Life Committee Chair James Wallace announced that the committee would meet again on November 11 with Dr. Philip Tarnoff to discuss more about traffic / transit. *(This meeting was cancelled due to Veterans Day, a county holiday).*

Land Use Committee Chair Beth Daly has planned a committee discussion about BRT and the CCT for November 4.

New Business/Announcements - None.

Community Concerns/Comments – Clarksburg resident David Stein announced that the community is pleased that the intersection of Little Seneca Parkway and Rt. 355 should be opening soon and that the intersection improvement at Snowden Farm Parkway and Rt. 27 is still going forward.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm (Firley moved; Rosenbaum seconded).

Board Attendance: Beth Daly, Brian Donohue, Cherian Eapen, Mark Firley, Kevin Linck, Annie McDonald, Daisha New, Tobi Printz-Platnick, Gail Robinson, David Rosenbaum, Pat Seals, Ketaki Singh, James Wallace.

Additional Guests: Kevin Mack (Congressman Delaney's office); Jennifer M. Hosey (Councilmember Riemer's office); David Stein; Rev. Kaseman; Venattia Vann; David Humpton; Rosemary Arkoian; Laurie-Anne Sayles.

Staff: Catherine Matthews

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